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Wherefore I petition that letters patent be granted to me for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the attached specification and claims, and hereby subscribe my name to said specification and claims and to the foregoing declaration, power of attorney, and this petition.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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WITNESS my hand and seal this  $27^{m}$  day of

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Then personally appeared the above named Timothy W. Fofonoff and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his/her free act and deed, before me, this 27 Hday of October, 2000.

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My commission expires: 09,02,2005